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Sir:

This is an Information Disclosure Statement submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 within the time specified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). No Office Action is believed to have issued in connection with this Application as yet.

Submitted herewith is a copy of one document which is listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the above identified Application.

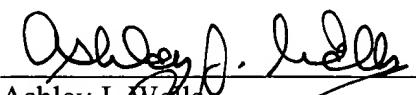
This document was mentioned in an Office Action which issued for the counterpart Application in Japan (mail date January 7, 2003). An English translation of this Office Action and the two applied references were timely submitted in a Second Information Disclosure Statement filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 18, 2003. A third document (the document now submitted) was mentioned in this Office Action, but not applied against the claims in the Japanese counterpart Application. Applicants considered this document merely cumulative, however, on advice of Patent Counsel Applicants, Applicants forwarded a copy of this third document to undersigned Counsel for submission as well.

Undersigned Counsel submits that this document was received on June 4, 2003, i.e., less than 30 days prior to this submission. No fee is believed due. Should any fee be deemed due, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 22-0261 and advise us accordingly.

As all requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, and all official guidelines pertaining to Information Disclosure Statements are submitted to have been complied with, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider this document and make it of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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